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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated October 19, 2004 (the "Office Action"), the Applicants offer the following amendments and comments:

- Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.
- Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.